

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A reinforcer for the edge of a seat having a sitting surface and a supporting surface for supporting a user's back, the reinforcer comprising:

a flexible panel having inner and outer perimeters, the inner and outer perimeters defining an opening against the sitting surface and the supporting surface, the flexible panel sized and configured to encircle the edge of the seat with the sitting surface and the supporting surface of the seat accessible through the opening; and

at least one tightener secured at the inner and outer perimeters for constricting each perimeter about the seat edge.

2. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein the at least one tightener includes a single tightener secured to each of the inner and outer perimeters.

3. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein the at least one tightener includes at least one tightener secured to each of the inner and outer perimeters.

4. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein each of the at least one tighteners is a drawstring.

5. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein each of the at least one tighteners is an elastic strip.

6. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein each of the at least one tighteners secured to the inner perimeter is further configured to pass through at least one hole in the sitting surface of the seat.

7. (original) The reinforcer of claim 1 wherein the flexible panel is a durable material.

8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) A reinforcer for the edge of a seat having a sitting surface and a supporting surface for supporting a user's back, the reinforcer comprising:

a flexible panel tailored to fit the edge of the seat without covering the sitting surface or the supporting surface, the flexible panel having an inner and an outer perimeter, wherein the inner perimeter is configured to fit against the sitting surface and the supporting surface; and

at least one tightener secured at the inner and outer perimeters for constricting each perimeter about the seat edge.

10. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein the at least one tightener includes a single tightener secured to each of the inner and outer perimeters.

11. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein the at least one tightener includes at least one tightener secured to each of the inner and outer perimeters.

12. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein each of the at least one tighteners is a drawstring.

13. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein each of the at least one tighteners is an elastic strip.

14. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein each of the at least one tighteners secured to the inner perimeter is further configured to pass through at least one hole in the sitting surface of the seat.

15. (original) The reinforcer of claim 9 wherein the flexible panel is a durable material.

16. (canceled)